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## SWIRE OILFIELD SERVICES STRENGTHENS EAST AFRICAN PRESENCE AFTER SIGNING PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH COMARCO

Swire Oilfield Services, the leading global supplier of cargo carrying solutions, modular systems, offshore aviation services and fluid management, has announced it has signed a local partnership agreement with the COMARCO group.

The partnership agreement with Swire Oilfield Services' East African division enables COMARCO responsibility for the sales, marketing and management of the company's products and services in Kenya as part of Swire Oilfield Services' plans for the wider region.

Swire Oilfield Services' full range of DNV 2.7-1 and EN 12079 certified cargo carrying units will be on offer from COMARCO's supply base facility in Mombasa, Kenya. This builds on the African organisation's existing portfolio of oil and gas services including owning, managing and operating an Oil and Gas supply base, a fleet of tugs, barges, supply vessels, self elevating work platforms, utility vessels, cranes and rolling stock, which are available for hire or as part of turnkey packages.

Swire Oilfield Services opened an office in Kenya during 2013, as part of its growth strategy in East Africa. The company is also investing approximately \$11 million in its rental fleet and infrastructure in the African Continent this year, demonstrating its commitment to the region.

Simon Phillips, Managing Director of Kenya Marine Contractors, a part of the COMARCO group said, "We are delighted to have entered into this partnership agreement with Swire Oilfield Services as this represents a significant step forward both for our company and the oil and gas industry in the region as a whole."

Dan Davies, Commercial Manager of Swire Oilfield Services East Africa, said: "This region presents increasingly exciting and dynamic opportunities, thanks to a number of on and offshore discoveries.

"The creation of this partnership agreement with COMARCO is a significant element of our business strategy and the agreement only goes to demonstrate our commitment to the region.



"Drawing on COMARCO's resources and experience in Kenya, Tanzania and Mozambique will play a key role in the growth of Swire Oilfield Services in the East African region and our products and services will further complement COMARCO's current offering."

Swire Oilfield Services first began operations in Africa more than 10 years ago and now employs over 120 staff with recognition as the largest supplier of rental units across its other offices in Nigeria, Angola, Ghana, Cameroon, Gabon and Congo. The organisation offers the highest specification, DNV 2.7-1 and EN 12079, across all of its certified reliably dynamic equipment including cargo carrying units, modular systems, fluid management and aviation services.

To find out more Swire Oilfield Service's offering in East Africa and across the world please visit - www.swireos.com.

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## **Note to Editors**

Swire Oilfield Services, part of the global conglomerate, the Swire group, is the world's largest supplier of specialist offshore cargo carrying units to the global energy industry and is a leading supplier of cargo carrying solutions, modular systems, offshore aviation services and fluid management.

Established in 1979, Swire Oilfield Services provides the largest hire fleet worldwide. Its in-house engineering capability allows the company to design and manufacture customised equipment. The company supplies tailored modular workspace systems and services to the marine and energy industries.

Swire Oilfield Services' comprehensive fluid management services save its customers time and money and minimises health and safety concerns both on and offshore. Through its fully certified and approved offshore aviation services, Swire Oilfield Services plays a crucial role in the efficient operations of offshore helicopters.

Operating in 31 countries, Swire Oilfield Services has a team of around 1,000 staff in more than 50 bases around the globe. The company has a presence in all major oil and gas regions with large operations in Europe and Africa, the Americas, and Asia Pacific.